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Srinivas Bollepalli
Application No. 10/786,651
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DECISION ON PETITION


This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.182, filed, October 20, 2006 and resubmitted on July 14, 2008, to change the name and citizenship of the inventor.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Office records show the inventor's change was previously change to Srinivas Bollepalli. The citizenship has been change to the United States of America. A corrected Filing Receipt, which reflects changes, accompanies this decision on petition.

Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

Any questions concerning the examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.


Irvin Dingle
Petition Examiner
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Attachment: corrected Filing Receipt



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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a CIP of 10/445,090 05/23/2003 PAT 7,175,930
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Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 05/14/2004

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US 10/786,651**

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Non-Publication Request: No

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Title

CONDUCTING POLYMER-GRAFTED CARBON MATERIAL FOR FUEL CELL APPLICATIONS

Preliminary Class

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